**“Faith Fights”**

**Nehemiah 4:7-15**

Matthew 5:39; John 6:28-29; 2 Corinthians 10:3-5; Ephesians 6:11-13

**I. A Fight for Faith**

Romans 8:7

**A) From Without**

**B) From Within**

**II. The Faithful Fight**

*The Christian understands the importance of the spiritual & the practical*

**A) Nehemiah’s Default = Prayer**

Nehemiah 1:4, 2:4, 4:4 … 4:8-9

*“As long as we are self-sufficient and complacent, we don’t need to ask God for anything, we don’t want Him; it is only when we know we are powerless that we are prepared to listen to Jesus Christ and to do what He says”* Oswald Chambers *Prayer A Holy Occupation 25.*

**B) Nehemiah’s M.O. = Prudent Action**

*“Some Christians need encouragement to think before they act. Others need encouragement to act after they think.”* Kevin DeYoung

**III. Faith’s Object in the Fight**

***Exodus 14:13*** *And Moses said to the people, "Fear not, stand firm, and see the salvation of the LORD, which he will work for you today. For the Egyptians whom you see today, you shall never see again.*

***Luke 9:62*** *Jesus said to him, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."*